

**SUMMONS
(CITACION JUDICIAL)****NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:
(AVISO AL DEMANDADO):**

SEE ATTACHED

**YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
(LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):**

AIM UNITED, LLC

SUM-100

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Superior Court of California
County of Los Angeles

APR 07 2015

Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk
By T. Rhodes, Deputy**NOTICE!** You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. **NOTE:** The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. **¡AVISO!** Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. **AVISO:** Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

The name and address of the court is:

(El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Los Angeles Superior Court

825 Maple Ave., Torrance, CA 90503

Southwest Judicial District

CASE NUMBER
(Número del Caso) **070512**

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:

(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):

Harris L. Cohen, Esq., #119600, Harris L. Cohen, APC 5305 Andasol Ave., Encino, CA 91316 818-905-5599

DATE:

(Fecha)

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Sherri R. Carter, Clerk, by
(Secretario)T. RHODES, Deputy
(Adjunto)

(For proof of service of this summons, use Proof of Service of Summons (form POS-010).)

(Para prueba de entrega de esta citación use el formulario Proof of Service of Summons, (POS-010)).

(SEAL)

NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served

1. ☐ as an individual defendant.
2. ☐ as the person sued under the fictitious name of (specify):

- 3.
- ☐
- on behalf of (specify):

under: ☐ CCP 416.10 (corporation)☐ CCP 416.20 (defunct corporation)☐ CCP 416.40 (association or partnership)☐ other (specify):

- 4.
- ☐
- by personal delivery on (date):

☐ CCP 416.60 (minor)☐ CCP 416.70 (conservatee)☐ CCP 416.90 (authorized person)**EXHIBIT A**

SUM-200(A)

SHORT TITLE: AIM UNITED, LLC V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	CASE NUMBER:
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

- This form may be used as an attachment to any summons if space does not permit the listing of all parties on the summons.
- If this attachment is used, insert the following statement in the plaintiff or defendant box on the summons: "Additional Parties Attachment form is attached."

List additional parties (Check only one box. Use a separate page for each type of party.):

☐ Plaintiff
 ☒ Defendant
 ☐ Cross-Complainant
 ☐ Cross-Defendant

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and all persons unknown, claiming any legal or equitable right, title, or interest in the property described in the complaint adverse to plaintiff's title, or any cloud on plaintiff's title to that property and Does 1 through 50, inclusive,

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CASE ASSIGNED FOR
ALL PURPOSES TO
Judge **RAMONA SEE**
Dept. M Div.

Attorneys for Plaintiff
Strategic Acquisitions, Inc.

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SOUTHWEST DISTRICT

AIM UNITED, LLC,

PLAINTIFF,

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and all
persons unknown, claiming any legal or
equitable right, title, or interest in the property
described in the complaint adverse to
plaintiff's title, or any cloud on plaintiff's title
to that property and Does 1 through 50,
inclusive,

DEFENDANTS.

CASE NO. **YC070512**

VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR QUIET
TITLE AND DECLARATORY RELIEF.

Plaintiff, Strategic Acquisitions, Inc. alleges:

1. At all times herein mentioned AIM United LLC was a California Limited
Liability Company ("Plaintiff") with its principal place of business in Tarzana, California.

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2. Defendant United States of America is a government that claims to have a valid lien on the property that is the subject of this action. Defendant is subject to jurisdiction in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §2410.

3. Plaintiff does not know the true names of defendants All Persons Unknown, Claiming Any Legal or Equitable Right, Title, Stake, Lien, or Interest in the Property Described in the Complaint Adverse to Plaintiff's Title, or Any Cloud on Plaintiff's Title to that Property, and Does 1 through 50, inclusive. Therefore, Plaintiff sues these defendants by those fictitious names. Plaintiff is informed and believes and on that basis alleges that each of the Doe defendants claims, or may claim, some interest in the subject real property. The names, capacities and relationships of Does 1 through 50 will be alleged by amendment to this complaint when those names are known.

4. The obligation sued upon herein and the property subject to the cause of action is located at 6601 Kentwood Bluff, Los Angeles, CA 90045 (the "Property"). The Property has an Assessor's Parcel Number of 4211-004-014 and a legal description of Lot 77 of Tract No. 43416, as per Map recorded in Book 1182, Pages 58 to 64 inclusive of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, California.

5. Said obligation is commercial in nature, not based on a retail installment contract or a conditional sales contract, and not subject to the provisions of Civil Code sections 1812.10 and 2984.

6. The true names or capacities whether individual, corporate, or associate or otherwise, of defendants named in this action as Does 1 through 50 are unknown to Plaintiff, who, therefore sues such defendants by such fictitious names; plaintiff will amend this complaint to show their true names and capacities when they have been ascertained.

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1 7. Plaintiff is informed and believes and upon such information and belief alleges
2 that at all times herein mentioned each of the defendants was the agent, servant and employee of
3 each of the remaining defendants and at all times were acting within the purpose and scope of
4 said agency and employment.

5 8. Plaintiff acquired title to the Property at a foreclosure sale conducted on March
6 17, 2015. The Trustee's Deed Upon Sale was thereafter recorded with the Los Angeles County
7 Recorder on March 31, 2015 as instrument number 20150342151.

9 9. In 2006, Alex F. Hall, a former owner of the Property has recorded a Deed of
10 Trust with Assignment of Rents as Additional Security Securing a Personal Surety Bond to the
11 United States of America, in favor of the named beneficiary therein, the United States of
12 America with a stated principal sum of \$500,000 to secure payment of the indebtedness
13 evidenced by a personal surety bond purportedly executed by trustors Alex Francis Hall and
14 Maria E. Hall (the "Deed of Trust"). The Deed of Trust was recorded with the Los Angeles
15 County Recorder on May 22, 2006 as instrument number 06 1125129 and a copy is attached
16 hereto as Exhibit "1."

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19 10. The Deed of Trust was senior to the lien that was foreclosed upon when Plaintiff
20 purchased the Property at the foreclosure sale and is a cloud on Plaintiff's title.

21 11. The Deed of Trust itself does not grant a lien on the Property because in the
22 portion of the Deed of Trust where the security is to be stated, it is blank.

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24 12. Prior to filing this lawsuit, Plaintiff's agents contacted the clerk of the United
25 States District Court, the Court's CJA department, the U.S. Attorneys' office, and the notary that
26 notarized the Deed of Trust in an attempt to locate the underlying obligation to the USA and the
27 proposed obligors. All attempts proved fruitless as nobody was able to identify or locate any
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1 purported underlying indebtedness. It therefore appears that there is no underlying debt in
2 addition to the fact that the Deed of Trust does not provide for any security interest or lien on the
3 Property.

4 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

5 (For Quiet Title against all Defendants and Does 1-25)

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7 13. Plaintiff incorporates by reference as though set forth in full herein, each and
8 every allegation alleged in paragraphs 1-12, inclusive.

9 14. Plaintiff is informed and believes and on that basis alleges that one or more
10 defendants, including the United States of America, claim an interest adverse to Plaintiff's title in
11 Property. These claims are without any right and defendants have no right, title, stake, lien, or
12 interest in the Property. In particular, the purported Deeds of Trust in favor of the United States
13 of America does not have any underlying indebtedness and does not state that it is secured by
14 any real property.
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16 15. Plaintiff seeks a determination of its fee simple title in this action, vis-à-vis the
17 Deed of Trust, as of March 17, 2015, when it purchased the Property.
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19 SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

20 (For Declaratory Relief against all Defendants and Does 1-25)

21 16. Plaintiff incorporates by reference as though set forth in full herein, each and
22 every allegation alleged in paragraphs 1-15 inclusive.

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24 17. By this action, Plaintiff seeks declaratory relief and an order and judgment by this
25 Court that Plaintiff is the sole owner of the Property and that none of the Defendants has any
26 right, title or interest in or to the Property or any lien or encumbrance on the Property.

27 18. An actual controversy has arisen and now exists between Plaintiff and defendants.
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1 19. Plaintiff desires a judicial determination of the actual ownership of the Property
2 and the invalidity of the Deed of Trust and a determination that the Deed of Trust is not an
3 encumbrance on the Property.

4 20. A judicial declaration is necessary and appropriate at this time under the
5 circumstances in order that Plaintiff and defendants may ascertain its rights and duties and
6 ownership of the Property as Plaintiff contends it owns the Property free and clear of the Deed of
7 Trust and Defendants contend the Deed of Trust is a valid encumbrance on the Property.

8 **WHEREFORE**, Plaintiff prays for judgment as follows:

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10 1. A judgment quieting Plaintiff's fee simple title to the Property and determining
11 that Defendants have no right, title, or interest in or to the Property by virtue of the Deed of Trust
12 as of March 17, 2015 or any other interest;

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14 2. For a judicial determination of the rights and obligations of the parties as a result
15 of the acts alleged herein.

16 3. For costs of suit incurred;

17 4. For such other and further relief as the court deems just and proper.
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20 HARRIS L. COHEN, A PROF. CORP.

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22 By: 

23 Harris L. Cohen, Esq.
24 Attorneys for Plaintiff
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VERIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I have read the foregoing, VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR QUIET TITLE AND DECLARATORY RELIEF, and know its contents.

☐ I am a party to this action. The matters stated in it are true of my own knowledge except as to those matters which are stated on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true.

☒ I am a manager of AIM United LLC, a California Limited Liability Company, a party to this action, and am authorized to make this verification for and on its behalf, and I make this verification for that reason. I am informed and believe and on that ground allege that the matters stated in the foregoing document are true.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Agoura Hills, California.

Dated: April 3, 2015


Peter Baer

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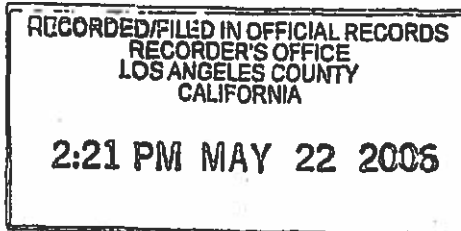
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EXHIBIT A

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TITLE(S) : _____



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NOTIFICATION SENT \$4 ©

Assessor's Identification Number (AIN)

To be completed by Examiner OR Title Company in black ink.

Number of AIN's Shown

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THIS FORM IS NOT TO BE DUPLICATED

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RECORDING REQUESTED BY

ALEX F. HALL
6601 KENTWOOD BLUFF DR.
LOS ANGELES, CA 90045

AND WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
880 Front Street, Suite 4290
San Diego, CA 92101-8900

**DEED OF TRUST
WITH ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS AS ADDITIONAL SECURITY
SECURING A PERSONAL SURETY BOND TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

This DEED OF TRUST, made , between ALEX FRANCIS HALL AND
MARIA E. HALL
herein called TRUSTOR,
whose address is 6601 KENTWOOD BLUFF DR.
LOS ANGELES, CA 90045

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO: 4211-004-014

CHICAGO TITLE COMPANY, a California Corporation, 925 B Street, San Diego, CA 92101 herein called
TRUSTEE, and the

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, herein called BENEFICIARY,

Trustor irrevocably grants, transfers and assigns to Trustee in Trust, with Power of Sale that property in
County, California, described as:

Together with the rents, issues and profits thereof, subject, however, to the right, power and authority
hereinafter given to and conferred upon Beneficiary to collect and apply such rents, issues and profits.

For the Purpose of Securing (1) Performance of each agreement of Trustor incorporated by reference or
contained herein. (2) Payment of the indebtedness evidenced by a PERSONAL SURETY BOND of even date
herewith, and any extension or renewal thereof, in the principal sum of \$500,000
executed by Trustor in favor of the United States of America.

To protect the security of this Deed of Trust, and with respect to the property above described, Trustor expressly
makes each and all of the agreements, and adopts ~~EXHIBIT A~~ to perform and be bound by each and all of the
terms and provisions set forth in subdivision A of that certain Fictitious Deed of Trust referenced herein, and it

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is mutually agreed that all of the provisions set forth in subdivision B of that certain Fictitious Deed of Trust recorded in the book and page of Official Records in the office of the county recorder of the county where said property is located, noted below opposite the name of such county, namely:

COUNTY	BOOK	PAGE	COUNTY	BOOK	PAGE	COUNTY	BOOK	PAGE	COUNTY	BOOK	PAGE
Alameda	1288	556	Kings	858	713	Placer	1028	379	Sierra	38	187
Alpine	3	130-31	Lake	437	110	Plumas	166	1307	Siskiyou	506	782
Amador	133	438	Lassen	192	367	Riverside	3778	347	Solano	1287	621
Butte	1320	513	Los Angeles	T-3878	874	Sacramento	71-10-24	615	Stanislaus	2067	427
Calaveras	185	328	Madera	911	136	San Benito	309	409	Tulare	1979	56
Calusa	323	391	Marin	1840	122	San Bernardino	6213	768	Utter	455	505
Castaño Costa	4684	1	Mariposa	90	453	San Francisco	A-804	596	Tehama	457	183
Del Norte	101	549	Mendocino	667	99	San Joaquin	2855	283	Trinity	100	595
El Dorado	704	635	Merced	1660	753	San Luis Obispo	1311	137	Tulare	1530	100
Fresno	5052	623	Modoc	191	93	San Mateo	4778	175	Tuolumne	177	160
Glenn	469	76	Mon	69	382	Santa Barbara	2065	881	Ventura	2687	237
Humboldt	801	83	Monterey	357	239	Santa Clara	6616	664	Yuba	769	16
Imperial	1189	701	Napa	784	743	Santa Cruz	1638	607		398	693
Inyo	165	672	Nevada	363	94	Shasta	800	633			
Kern	3754	690	Orange	7182	18	San Diego Series 5 Book 1964, Page 149774					

shall inure to and bind the parties hereto, with respect to the property above described. Said agreements, terms and provisions contained in said subdivisions A and B, (identical in all counties) are preprinted on the following pages hereof and are by the within reference thereto, incorporated herein and made a part of this Deed of Trust for all purposes as fully as if set forth at length herein, and Beneficiary may charge for a statement regarding the obligation secured hereby, provided the charge thereof does not exceed the maximum allowed by laws.

The undersigned Trustor, requests that a copy of any notice of default and any notice of sale hereunder be mailed to him at his address hereinbefore set forth.


ALEX F. HALL


MARIA E. HALL

EXHIBIT A

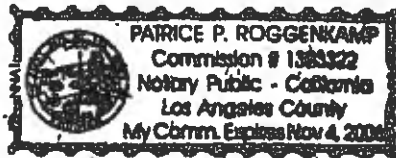
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CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

On May 22, 2006 before me, Patrice P. Roggenkamp, ^{a Notary Public} personally appeared Alex F. Hall personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s), acted, executed the instrument.

WHEREAS my hand and official seal.



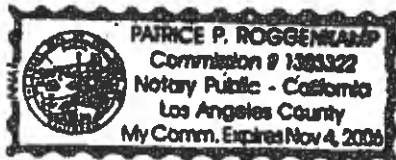
Patrice P. Roggenkamp
(Signature of Notary Public)

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF NOTARY PUBLIC

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

On May 22, 2006 before me, Patrice P. Roggenkamp, ^{a Notary Public} personally appeared Maria E. Hall personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s), acted, executed the instrument.

WHEREAS my hand and official seal.



Patrice P. Roggenkamp
(Signature of Notary Public)

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**CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET ADDENDUM AND
STATEMENT OF LOCATION
(CERTIFICATE OF GROUNDS FOR ASSIGNMENT TO COURTHOUSE LOCATION)**

This form is required pursuant to Local Rule 2.0 in all new civil case filings in the Los Angeles Superior Court.

Item I. Check the types of hearing and fill in the estimated length of hearing expected for this case:

JURY TRIAL? ☐ YES CLASS ACTION? ☐ YES LIMITED CASE? ☒ YES TIME ESTIMATED FOR TRIAL 1 ☐ HOURS/ ☒ DAYS

Item II. Indicate the correct district and courthouse location (4 steps – If you checked "Limited Case", skip to Item III, Pg. 4):

Step 1: After first completing the Civil Case Cover Sheet form, find the main Civil Case Cover Sheet heading for your case in the left margin below, and, to the right in Column A, the Civil Case Cover Sheet case type you selected.

Step 2: Check one Superior Court type of action in Column B below which best describes the nature of this case.

Step 3: In Column C, circle the reason for the court location choice that applies to the type of action you have checked. For any exception to the court location, see Local Rule 2.0.

Applicable Reasons for Choosing Courthouse Location (see Column C below)

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| 1. Class actions must be filed in the Stanley Mosk Courthouse, central district. | 8. Location of property or permanently garaged vehicle. |
| 2. May be filed in central (other county, or no bodily injury/property damage). | 7. Location where petitioner resides. |
| 3. Location where cause of action arose. | 8. Location wherein defendant/respondent functions wholly. |
| 4. Location where bodily injury, death or damage occurred. | 9. Location where one or more of the parties reside. |
| 5. Location where performance required or defendant resides. | 10. Location of Labor Commissioner Office |

Step 4: Fill in the information requested on page 4 in Item III; complete Item IV. Sign the declaration.

	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons - See Step 3 Above
Auto Tort	Auto (22)	<input type="checkbox"/> A7100 Motor Vehicle - Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1., 2., 4.
	Uninsured Motorist (46)	<input type="checkbox"/> A7110 Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death – Uninsured Motorist	1., 2., 4.
Other Personal Injury/ Property Damage/ Wrongful Death Tort	Asbestos (04)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6070 Asbestos Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> A7221 Asbestos - Personal Injury/Wrongful Death	2. 2.
	Product Liability (24)	<input type="checkbox"/> A7280 Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental)	1., 2., 3., 4., 8.
	Medical Malpractice (45)	<input type="checkbox"/> A7210 Medical Malpractice - Physicians & Surgeons <input type="checkbox"/> A7240 Other Professional Health Care Malpractice	1., 4. 1., 4.
	Other Personal Injury Property Damage Wrongful Death (23)	<input type="checkbox"/> A7250 Premises Liability (e.g., slip and fall) <input type="checkbox"/> A7230 Intentional Bodily Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death (e.g., assault, vandalism, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> A7270 Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress <input type="checkbox"/> A7220 Other Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	1., 4. 1., 4. 1., 3. 1., 4.

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	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons - See Step 3 Above
Non-Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death Tort	Business Tort (07)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6029 Other Commercial/Business Tort (not fraud/breach of contract)	1., 3.
	Civil Rights (08)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6005 Civil Rights/Discrimination	1., 2., 3.
	Defamation (13)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6010 Defamation (slander/libel)	1., 2., 3.
	Fraud (16)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6013 Fraud (no contract)	1., 2., 3.
	Professional Negligence (25)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6017 Legal Malpractice <input type="checkbox"/> A6050 Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal)	1., 2., 3. 1., 2., 3.
	Other (35)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6025 Other Non-Personal Injury/Property Damage tort	2., 3.
Employment	Wrongful Termination (36)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6037 Wrongful Termination	1., 2., 3.
	Other Employment (15)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6024 Other Employment Complaint Case <input type="checkbox"/> A6109 Labor Commissioner Appeals	1., 2., 3. 10.
Contract	Breach of Contract/Warranty (06) (not insurance)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6004 Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction) <input type="checkbox"/> A6008 Contract/Warranty Breach - Seller Plaintiff (no fraud/negligence) <input type="checkbox"/> A6019 Negligent Breach of Contract/Warranty (no fraud) <input type="checkbox"/> A6028 Other Breach of Contract/Warranty (not fraud or negligence)	2., 5. 2., 5. 1., 2., 5. 1., 2., 6.
	Collections (09)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6002 Collections Case-Seller Plaintiff <input type="checkbox"/> A6012 Other Promissory Note/Collections Case	2., 5., 6. 2., 5.
	Insurance Coverage (18)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6015 Insurance Coverage (not complex)	1., 2., 5., 6.
	Other Contract (37)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6009 Contractual Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> A6031 Tortious Interference <input type="checkbox"/> A6027 Other Contract Dispute(not breach/insurance/fraud/negligence)	1., 2., 3., 5. 1., 2., 3., 5. 1., 2., 3., 8.
	Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)	<input type="checkbox"/> A7300 Eminent Domain/Condemnation Number of parcels _____	2.
Real Property	Wrongful Eviction (33)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6023 Wrongful Eviction Case	2., 6.
	Other Real Property (26)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6018 Mortgage Foreclosure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A6032 Quiet Title <input type="checkbox"/> A6060 Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, foreclosure)	2., 6. 2., 6. 2., 6.
	Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (31)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6021 Unlawful Detainer-Commercial (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	2., 6.
Unlawful Detainer	Unlawful Detainer-Residential (32)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6020 Unlawful Detainer-Residential (not drugs or wrongful eviction)	2., 5.
	Unlawful Detainer- Post-Foreclosure (34)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6020F Unlawful Detainer-Post-Foreclosure	2., 6.
	Unlawful Detainer-Drugs (38)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6022 Unlawful Detainer-Drugs	2., 6.

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	A Civil Case Cover Sheet Category No.	B Type of Action (Check only one)	C Applicable Reasons - See Step 3 Above		
Judicial Review	Asset Forfeiture (05)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6106 Asset Forfeiture Case	2., 6.		
	Petition re Arbitration (11)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6116 Petition to Compel/Confirm/Vacate Arbitration	2., 5.		
	Writ of Mandate (02)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6151 Writ - Administrative Mandamus <input type="checkbox"/> A6152 Writ - Mandamus on Limited Court Case Matter <input type="checkbox"/> A6153 Writ - Other Limited Court Case Review	2., 8. 2. 2.		
	Other Judicial Review (39)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6150 Other Writ /Judicial Review	2., 8.		
Provisionally Complex Litigation	Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6003 Antitrust/Trade Regulation	1., 2., 8.		
	Construction Defect (10)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6007 Construction Defect	1., 2., 3.		
	Claims Involving Mass Tort (40)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6006 Claims Involving Mass Tort	1., 2., 8.		
	Securities Litigation (28)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6035 Securities Litigation Case	1., 2., 8.		
	Toxic Tort Environmental (30)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6036 Toxic Tort/Environmental	1., 2., 3., 8.		
	Insurance Coverage Claims from Complex Case (41)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6014 Insurance Coverage/Subrogation (complex case only)	1., 2., 5., 8.		
Enforcement of Judgment	Enforcement of Judgment (20)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6141 Sister State Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> A6160 Abstract of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> A6107 Confession of Judgment (non-domestic relations) <input type="checkbox"/> A6140 Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes) <input type="checkbox"/> A6114 Petition/Certificate for Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Tax <input type="checkbox"/> A6112 Other Enforcement of Judgment Case	2., 9. 2., 6. 2., 9. 2., 8. 2., 8. 2., 8., 9.		
	RICO (27)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6033 Racketeering (RICO) Case	1., 2., 8.		
	Miscellaneous Civil Complaints	Other Complaints (Not Specified Above) (42)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6030 Declaratory Relief Only <input type="checkbox"/> A6040 Injunctive Relief Only (not domestic/harassment) <input type="checkbox"/> A6011 Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex) <input type="checkbox"/> A6000 Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex)	1., 2., 8. 2., 8. 1., 2., 8. 1., 2., 8.	
		Partnership Corporation Governance (21)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6113 Partnership and Corporate Governance Case	2., 8.	
		Miscellaneous Civil Petitions	Other Petitions (Not Specified Above) (43)	<input type="checkbox"/> A6121 Civil Harassment <input type="checkbox"/> A6123 Workplace Harassment <input type="checkbox"/> A6124 Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse Case <input type="checkbox"/> A6190 Election Contest <input type="checkbox"/> A6110 Petition for Change of Name <input type="checkbox"/> A6170 Petition for Relief from Late Claim Law <input type="checkbox"/> A6100 Other Civil Petition	2., 3., 9. 2., 3., 9. 2., 3., 9. 2. 2., 7. 2., 3., 4., 8. 2., 9.

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Item III. Statement of Location: Enter the address of the accident, party's residence or place of business, performance, or other circumstance indicated in Item II., Step 3 on Page 1, as the proper reason for filing in the court location you selected.

REASON: Check the appropriate boxes for the numbers shown under Column C for the type of action that you have selected for this case. <input type="checkbox"/> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> 2. <input type="checkbox"/> 3. <input type="checkbox"/> 4. <input type="checkbox"/> 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6. <input type="checkbox"/> 7. <input type="checkbox"/> 8. <input type="checkbox"/> 9. <input type="checkbox"/> 10.			ADDRESS: 6601 KENTWOOD BLUFF DR.
CITY: LOS ANGELES	STATE: CA	ZIP CODE: 90045	

Item IV. Declaration of Assignment: I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that the above-entitled matter is properly filed for assignment to the SUPERIOR courthouse in the Southwest District of the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles [Code Civ. Proc., § 392 et seq., and Local Rule 2.0, subds. (b), (c) and (d)].

Dated: 4/3/2015


(SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY/FILING PARTY)

PLEASE HAVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS COMPLETED AND READY TO BE FILED IN ORDER TO PROPERLY COMMENCE YOUR NEW COURT CASE:

1. Original Complaint or Petition.
2. If filing a Complaint, a completed Summons form for issuance by the Clerk.
3. Civil Case Cover Sheet, Judicial Council form CM-010.
4. Civil Case Cover Sheet Addendum and Statement of Location form, LACIV 109, LASC Approved 03-04 (Rev. 03/11).
5. Payment in full of the filing fee, unless fees have been waived.
6. A signed order appointing the Guardian ad Litem, Judicial Council form CIV-010, if the plaintiff or petitioner is a minor under 18 years of age will be required by Court in order to issue a summons.
7. Additional copies of documents to be conformed by the Clerk. Copies of the cover sheet and this addendum must be served along with the summons and complaint, or other initiating pleading in the case.

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ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): Harris L. Cohen, Esq. Bar #119600 Harris L. Cohen, A Prof. Corp. 5305 Andasol Ave., Encino, CA 91316 TELEPHONE NO.: 818-905-5599 FAX NO.: 818-905-5599 ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Plaintiff, AIM UNITED, LLC		FOR COURT USE ONLY CONFORMED COPY ORIGINAL FILED Superior Court of California County of Los Angeles APR 07 2015 Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk By T. Rhodes, Deputy
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF Los Angeles STREET ADDRESS: 825 Maple Ave. MAILING ADDRESS: 825 Maple Ave. CITY AND ZIP CODE: Torrance, CA 90503 BRANCH NAME: Southwest Judicial District		
CASE NAME: AIM United LLC v. United States of America		
CIVIL CASE COVER SHEET <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unlimited (Amount demanded exceeds \$25,000) <input type="checkbox"/> Limited (Amount demanded is \$25,000 or less)	Complex Case Designation <input type="checkbox"/> Counter <input type="checkbox"/> Joinder Filed with first appearance by defendant (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.402)	
		CASE NUMBER: YGO70512 JUDGE: DEPT:

Items 1-6 below must be completed (see instructions on page 2).

1. Check one box below for the case type that best describes this case:

Auto Tort <input type="checkbox"/> Auto (22) <input type="checkbox"/> Uninsured motorist (46) Other PIP/DWD (Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos (04) <input type="checkbox"/> Product liability (24) <input type="checkbox"/> Medical malpractice (45) <input type="checkbox"/> Other PIP/DWD (23) Non-PIP/DWD (Other) Tort <input type="checkbox"/> Business tort/unfair business practice (07) <input type="checkbox"/> Civil rights (08) <input type="checkbox"/> Defamation (13) <input type="checkbox"/> Fraud (18) <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual property (19) <input type="checkbox"/> Professional negligence (25) <input type="checkbox"/> Other non-PIP/DWD tort (35) Employment <input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful termination (38) <input type="checkbox"/> Other employment (15)	Contract <input type="checkbox"/> Breach of contract/warranty (06) <input type="checkbox"/> Rule 3.740 collections (09) <input type="checkbox"/> Other collections (08) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance coverage (18) <input type="checkbox"/> Other contract (37) Real Property <input type="checkbox"/> Eminent domain/inverse condemnation (14) <input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful eviction (33) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other real property (26) Unlawful Detainer <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial (31) <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (32) <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs (38) Judicial Review <input type="checkbox"/> Asset forfeiture (05) <input type="checkbox"/> Petition re: arbitration award (11) <input type="checkbox"/> Writ of mandate (02) <input type="checkbox"/> Other judicial review (39)	Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation (Cal. Rules of Court, rules 3.400-3.403) <input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust/Trade regulation (03) <input type="checkbox"/> Construction defect (10) <input type="checkbox"/> Mass tort (40) <input type="checkbox"/> Securities litigation (28) <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental/Toxic tort (30) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance coverage claims arising from the above listed provisionally complex case types (41) Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> Enforcement of judgment (20) Miscellaneous Civil Complaint <input type="checkbox"/> RICO (27) <input type="checkbox"/> Other complaint (not specified above) (42) Miscellaneous Civil Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership and corporate governance (21) <input type="checkbox"/> Other petition (not specified above) (43)
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2. This case ☐ is ☒ is not complex under rule 3.400 of the California Rules of Court. If the case is complex, mark the factors requiring exceptional judicial management:
- | | |
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| a. <input type="checkbox"/> Large number of separately represented parties | d. <input type="checkbox"/> Large number of witnesses |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> Extensive motion practice raising difficult or novel issues that will be time-consuming to resolve | e. <input type="checkbox"/> Coordination with related actions pending in one or more courts in other counties, states, or countries, or in a federal court |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> Substantial amount of documentary evidence | f. <input type="checkbox"/> Substantial postjudgment judicial supervision |
3. Remedies sought (check all that apply): a. ☐ monetary b. ☒ nonmonetary; declaratory or injunctive relief c. ☐ punitive
4. Number of causes of action (specify): 2
5. This case ☐ is ☒ is not a class action suit.
6. If there are any known related cases, file and serve a notice of related case. (You may use form CM-015.)

Date: 4/4/2015
 Harris L. Cohen, Esq.

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

(SIGNATURE OF PARTY OR ATTORNEY FOR PARTY)

NOTICE

- Plaintiff must file this cover sheet with the first paper filed in the action or proceeding (except small claims cases or cases filed under the Probate Code, Family Code, or Welfare and Institutions Code). (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.220.) Failure to file may result in sanctions.
- File this cover sheet in addition to any cover sheet required by local court rule.
- If this case is complex under rule 3.400 et seq. of the California Rules of Court, you must serve a copy of this cover sheet on all other parties to the action or proceeding.
- Unless this is a collections case under rule 3.740 or a case under rule 3.740, this cover sheet will be used for statistical purposes only.

EXHIBIT A

CM-010

INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THE COVER SHEET

To Plaintiffs and Others Filing First Papers. If you are filing a first paper (for example, a complaint) in a civil case, you must complete and file, along with your first paper, the *Civil Case Cover Sheet* contained on page 1. This information will be used to compile statistics about the types and numbers of cases filed. You must complete items 1 through 6 on the sheet. In item 1, you must check one box for the case type that best describes the case. If the case fits both a general and a more specific type of case listed in item 1, check the more specific one. If the case has multiple causes of action, check the box that best indicates the primary cause of action. To assist you in completing the sheet, examples of the cases that belong under each case type in item 1 are provided below. A cover sheet must be filed only with your initial paper. Failure to file a cover sheet with the first paper filed in a civil case may subject a party, its counsel, or both to sanctions under rules 2.30 and 3.220 of the California Rules of Court.

To Parties in Rule 3.740 Collections Cases. A "collections case" under rule 3.740 is defined as an action for recovery of money owed in a sum stated to be certain that is not more than \$25,000, exclusive of interest and attorney's fees, arising from a transaction in which property, services, or money was acquired on credit. A collections case does not include an action seeking the following: (1) tort damages, (2) punitive damages, (3) recovery of real property, (4) recovery of personal property, or (5) a prejudgment writ of attachment. The identification of a case as a rule 3.740 collections case on this form means that it will be exempt from the general time-for-service requirements and case management rules, unless a defendant files a responsive pleading. A rule 3.740 collections case will be subject to the requirements for service and obtaining a judgment in rule 3.740.

To Parties in Complex Cases. In complex cases only, parties must also use the *Civil Case Cover Sheet* to designate whether the case is complex. If a plaintiff believes the case is complex under rule 3.400 of the California Rules of Court, this must be indicated by completing the appropriate boxes in items 1 and 2. If a plaintiff designates a case as complex, the cover sheet must be served with the complaint on all parties to the action. A defendant may file and serve no later than the time of its first appearance a joinder in the plaintiff's designation, a counter-designation that the case is not complex, or, if the plaintiff has made no designation, a designation that the case is complex.

CASE TYPES AND EXAMPLES

Auto Tort	Contract	Provisionally Complex Civil Litigation (Cal. Rules of Court Rules 3.400-3.403)
Auto (22)—Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death	Breach of Contract/Warranty (06)	Antitrust/Trade Regulation (03)
Uninsured Motorist (48) (if the case involves an uninsured motorist claim subject to arbitration, check this item instead of Auto)	Breach of Rental/Lease	Construction Defect (10)
	Contract (not unlawful detainer or wrongful eviction)	Claims Involving Mass Tort (40)
	Contract/Warranty Breach—Seller	Securities Litigation (28)
	Plaintiff (not fraud or negligence)	Environmental/Toxic Tort (30)
	Negligent Breach of Contract	Insurance Coverage Claims (arising from provisionally complex case type listed above) (41)
	Warranty	Enforcement of Judgment
Other P/DPD/WD (Personal Injury/Property Damage/Wrongful Death) Tort	Other Breach of Contract/Warranty	Enforcement of Judgment (20)
Asbestos (04)	Collections (e.g., money owed, open book accounts) (08)	Abstract of Judgment (Out of County)
Asbestos Property Damage	Collection Case—Seller Plaintiff	Confession of Judgment (non-domestic relations)
Asbestos Personal Injury/Wrongful Death	Other Promissory Note/Collections Case	Sister State Judgment
Product Liability (not asbestos or toxic/environmental) (24)	Insurance Coverage (not provisionally complex) (18)	Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes)
Medical Malpractice (45)	Auto Subrogation	Petition/Certification of Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Taxes
Medical Malpractice—Physicians & Surgeons	Other Coverage	Other Enforcement of Judgment Case
Other Professional Health Care Malpractice	Other Contract (37)	Miscellaneous Civil Complaint
Other P/DPD/WD (23)	Contractual Fraud	RICO (27)
Premises Liability (e.g., slip and fall)	Other Contract Dispute	Other Complaint (not specified above) (42)
Intentional Bodily Injury/PD/WD (e.g., assault, vandalism)	Real Property	Declaratory Relief Only
Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress	Eminent Domain/Inverse Condemnation (14)	Injunctive Relief Only (non-harassment)
Negligent Infliction of Emotional Distress	Wrongful Eviction (33)	Mechanics Lien
Other P/DPD/WD	Other Real Property (e.g., quiet title) (26)	Other Commercial Complaint Case (non-tort/non-complex)
Non-P/DPD/WD (Other) Tort	Writ of Possession of Real Property	Other Civil Complaint (non-tort/non-complex)
Business Tort/Unfair Business Practice (07)	Mortgage Foreclosure	Miscellaneous Civil Petition
Civil Rights (e.g., discrimination, false arrest) (not civil harassment) (08)	Quiet Title	Partnership and Corporate Governance (21)
Defamation (e.g., slander, libel) (13)	Other Real Property (not eminent domain, landlord/tenant, or foreclosure)	Other Petition (not specified above) (43)
Fraud (16)	Unlawful Detainer	Civil Harassment
Intellectual Property (19)	Commercial (31)	Workplace Violence
Professional Negligence (25)	Residential (32)	Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse
Legal Malpractice	Drugs (38) (if the case involves illegal drugs, check this item; otherwise, report as Commercial or Residential)	Election Contest
Other Professional Malpractice (not medical or legal)	Judicial Review	Petition for Name Change
Other Non-P/DPD/WD Tort (35)	Asset Forfeiture (05)	Petition for Relief From Late Claim
Employment	Petition Re: Arbitration Award (11)	Other Civil Petition
Wrongful Termination (36)	Writ of Mandate (02)	
Other Employment (15)	Writ—Administrative Mandamus	
	Writ—Mandamus on Limited Court Case Matter	
	Writ—Other Limited Court Case Review	
	Other Judicial Review (39)	
	Review of Health Officer Order	
	Notice of Appeal—Labor	
	Commercial Appeal	

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COURTHOUSE ADDRESS		NOTICE OF CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE Y070512
PLAINTIFF <i>Innocence</i>		
DEFENDANT <i>Arm United</i> <i>United States of America</i>		

TO THE PLAINTIFF(S)/ATTORNEY(S) FOR PLAINTIFF(S) OF RECORD:

You are ordered to serve this notice of hearing on all parties/attorneys of record forthwith, and meet and confer with all parties/attorneys of record about the matters to be discussed no later than 30 days before the Case Management Conference.

Your Case Management Conference has been scheduled at the courthouse address shown above on:

Date <i>9-14-15</i>	Time <i>8:30</i>	Dept: <i>M</i>
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NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: THE SETTING OF THE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE DOES NOT EXEMPT THE DEFENDANT FROM FILING A RESPONSIVE PLEADING AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rules 3.720-3.730, a completed Case Management Statement (Judicial Council form # CM-110) must be filed at least 15 calendar days prior to the Case Management Conference. The Case Management Statement may be filed jointly by all parties/attorneys of record or individually by each party/attorney of record. You must be familiar with the case and be fully prepared to participate effectively in the Case Management Conference.

At the Case Management Conference, the Court may make pretrial orders including the following, but not limited to, an order establishing a discovery schedule; an order referring the case to Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR); an order reclassifying the case; an order setting subsequent conference and the trial date; or other orders to achieve the goals of the Trial Court Delay Reduction Act (Gov. Code, § 68600 et seq.)

Notice is hereby given that if you do not file the Case Management Statement or appear and effectively participate at the Case Management Conference, the Court may impose sanctions, pursuant to LASC Local Rule 7.13, Code of Civil Procedure sections 177.5, 578.2, 583.150, 583.380 and 583.410, Government Code section 68608, subdivision (b), and California Rules of Court, rule 2.2 et seq.

Dated: 4-7-15 **RAMONA SEE**
 Judicial Officer

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the below named Executive Officer/Clerk of the above-entitled court, do hereby certify that I am not a party to the cause herein, and that on this date I served the Notice of Case Management Conference upon each party or counsel named below:

- ☐ by depositing in the United States mail at the courthouse in _____, California, one copy of the original filed herein in a separate sealed envelope to each address as shown below with the postage thereon fully prepaid.
- ☒ by personally giving the party notice upon filing of the complaint.

Sherri R. Carter Executive Officer/Clerk

Dated: 4-7-15 By T. RHODES
 Deputy Clerk

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) INFORMATION

For additional ADR information and forms visit the Court ADR web application at www.lasuperiorcourt.org (click on ADR).

The plaintiff/petitioner shall serve a copy of this form on each defendant/respondent along with the complaint (**Civil only**).

What is ADR:

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) is the term used to describe all the other options available for settling a dispute which once had to be settled in court. ADR processes, such as arbitration, mediation, neutral evaluation, and settlement conference are less formal than a court process and provide opportunities for parties to reach an agreement using a problem-solving approach.

There are many different kinds of ADR. All of them utilize a "neutral", an impartial person, to decide the case or help the parties reach an agreement.

Arbitration:

In arbitration, a neutral person called an "arbitrator" hears arguments and evidence from each side and then decides the outcome of the dispute. Arbitration is less formal than a trial, and the rules of evidence are often relaxed. Arbitration may be either "binding" or "nonbinding." *Binding arbitration* means that the parties waive their right to a trial and agree to accept the arbitrator's decision as final. *Nonbinding arbitration* means that the parties are free to request a trial if they do not accept the arbitrator's decision.

Cases for Which Arbitration May Be Appropriate

Arbitration is best for cases where the parties want another person to decide the outcome of their dispute for them but would like to avoid the formality, time, and expense of a trial. It may also be appropriate for complex matters where the parties want a decision-maker who has training or experience in the subject matter of the dispute.

Cases for Which Arbitration May Not Be Appropriate

If parties want to retain control over how their dispute is resolved, arbitration, particularly binding arbitration, is not appropriate. In binding arbitration, the parties generally cannot appeal the arbitrator's award, even if it is not supported by the evidence or the law. Even in nonbinding arbitration, if a party requests a trial and does not receive a more favorable result at trial than in arbitration, there may be penalties.

Mediation:

In mediation, a neutral person called a "mediator" helps the parties try to reach a mutually acceptable resolution of the dispute. The mediator does not decide the dispute but helps the parties communicate so they can try to settle the dispute themselves. Mediation leaves control of the outcome with the parties.

Cases for Which Mediation May Be Appropriate

Mediation may be particularly useful when parties have a dispute between or among family members, neighbors, or business partners. Mediation is also effective when emotions are getting in the way of resolution. An effective mediator can hear the parties out and help them communicate with each other in an effective and nondestructive manner.

Cases for Which Mediation May Not Be Appropriate

Mediation may not be effective if one of the parties is unwilling to cooperate or compromise. Mediation also may not be effective if one of the parties has a significant advantage in power over the other. Therefore, it may not be a good choice if the parties have a history of abuse or victimization.

Neutral Evaluation:

In neutral evaluation, each party gets a chance to present the case to a neutral person called an "evaluator." The evaluator then gives an opinion on the strengths and weaknesses of each party's evidence and arguments and about how the dispute could be resolved. The evaluator is often an expert in the subject matter of the dispute. Although the evaluator's opinion is not binding, the parties typically use it as a basis for trying to negotiate a resolution of the dispute.

Cases for Which Neutral Evaluation May Be Appropriate

Neutral evaluation may be most appropriate in cases in which there are technical issues that require special expertise to resolve or the only significant issue in the case is the amount of damages.

Cases for Which Neutral Evaluation May Not Be Appropriate

Neutral evaluation may not be appropriate when there are significant personal or emotional barriers to resolving the dispute.

Settlement Conference:

A settlement conference may be either mandatory or voluntary. In both types of settlement conferences, the parties and their attorneys meet with a judge or a neutral person called a "settlement officer" to discuss possible settlement of their dispute. The judge or settlement officer does not make a decision in the case but assists the parties in evaluating the strengths and weaknesses of the case and in negotiating a settlement. Settlement conferences are appropriate in any case where settlement is an option. Mandatory settlement conferences are often held close to the date a case is set for trial.

EXHIBIT A

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) INFORMATION

COURT ADR PROGRAMS**CIVIL:**

- Arbitration (non-binding) (Code Civ. Proc. §§ 1141.10-1141.31, Cal. Rules of Court, rules 3.810-3.830, and Local Rules, rule 3.252 et seq.)
- Mediation (Code Civ. Proc. §§ 1775-1775.15, Cal. Rules of Court, rules 3.850-3.860, 3.865-3.872 and 3.890-3.898, Evid. Code §§ 1115-1128, and Local Rules, rule 3.252 et seq.)
 - Civil Harassment Mediation
 - Eminent Domain Mediation (Code Civ. Proc. §1250.420)
 - Small Claims Mediation
- Neutral Evaluation (Local Rules, rule 3.252 et seq.)
- Settlement Conference
 - Voluntary Settlement Conference (Local Rules, rule 3.252 et seq.)
 - Retired Judge Settlement Conference

FAMILY (non-custody):

- Arbitration (non-binding) (Fam. Code § 2554 and Local Rules, rule 5.18)
- Mediation (Local Rules, rule 5.18)
- Settlement Conference
 - Forensic Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
 - Spanish Speaking Settlement Conference

PROBATE:

- Mediation
- Settlement Conference

NEUTRAL SELECTION

Parties may select an arbitrator, mediator, or evaluator from the Party Select Panel or may hire someone privately, at their discretion. If the parties utilize the Random Select Panel, the ADR staff will assign on a random basis the name of one neutral who meets the case criteria entered on the court's website.

COURT ADR PANELS

- Party Select Panel** The Party Select Panel consists of arbitrators, mediators, and evaluators who have achieved a specified level of experience in court-annexed cases. The parties (collectively) are charged \$150.00 per hour for the first three hours of hearing time. Thereafter, parties may stipulate in writing for additional hearing time at the rate established by the neutral.
- Random Select Panel** The Random Select Panel consists of trained arbitrators, mediators, evaluators, and settlement officers who make themselves available pro bono as a way of supporting the judicial system. It is the policy of the Court that Random Select Panel neutrals provide three hours hearing time per case on a pro bono basis. Thereafter, parties may stipulate in writing for additional hearing time at the rate established by the neutral.

ADR ASSISTANCE

For assistance regarding ADR, please contact the ADR clerk at the courthouse in which your case was filed.

COURTHOUSE	ADDRESS	FLOOR	ROOM	CITY	ZIP	PHONE	FAX	EMAIL
Antonyovich	42011 4th St. West	1st Fl.		Lancaster, CA	93534	661-974-7275	661-945-8173	AntelopeADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Chatsworth	9425 Penfield Ave.	3100		Chatsworth, CA	91311	818-576-8565	818-576-8733	ChatsworthADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Compton	200 W. Compton Blvd.	1002		Compton, CA	90220	310-603-3072	310-223-0337	ComptonADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Glendale	600 E. Broadway	273		Glendale, CA	91206	818-500-3160	818-548-5470	GlendaleADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Long Beach	415 W. Ocean Blvd.	316		Long Beach, CA	90802	562-491-6272	562-437-3802	LongBeachADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Norwalk	12720 Norwalk Blvd.	308		Norwalk, CA	90650	562-807-7243	562-482-9019	NorwalkADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Pasadena	300 E. Walnut St.	109		Pasadena, CA	91101	626-355-5685	626-668-1774	PasadenaADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Romona	405 Civic Center Plaza	108		Romona, CA	91760	909-620-3183	909-629-6283	RomonaADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
San Pedro	505 S. Centre St.	209		San Pedro, CA	90731	310-519-6151	310-514-0314	SanPedroADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Santa Monica	1725 Main St.	203		Santa Monica, CA	90401	310-260-1829	310-319-8130	SantaMonicaADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Stanley Mosk	111 N. Hill St.	113		Los Angeles, CA	90012	213-974-5425	213-633-5115	CentralADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Torrance	825 Maple Ave.	100		Torrance, CA	90503	310-222-1701	310-782-7326	TorranceADR@lasuperiorcourt.org
Van Nuys	6230 Sylmar Ave.	410		Van Nuys, CA	91401	818-374-2337	818-902-2440	VanNuysADR@lasuperiorcourt.org

EXHIBIT A**ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR) INFORMATION**

Information About Alternative Dispute Resolution:

Florida Rule of Court, rule 8.221, requires counties participating in the Dispute Resolution Programs Act ("DRPA"); to provide information about the availability of local dispute resolution programs funded under DRPA. In Los Angeles County, these services are made possible through major support from the Los Angeles County Department of Community and Senior Services through DRPA. The list of the local dispute resolution programs funded in Los Angeles County is set forth below.

Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County, ADR Office (213) 674-5425
www.superiorcourt.org/ADR

All volunteers of the following identified agencies are not employees of the Los Angeles County Superior Court:

- Anaheim-Pasadena American Dispute Resolution Center (213) 260-0190 www.anadrc.org
- California Academy of Mediation Professionals (916) 377-7250 www.mediationacademy.org
- Lawyers for the Arts, Arbitration and Mediation Service (310) 600-6560 www.calforsforthearts.org/
- Center for Conflict Resolution (818) 705-1090 www.ccrcenter.org
- Inland Valley Justice Center (909) 624-7470 www.ivjc.org
- Koreans American Coalition 4.20 Center (213) 306-6900 www.kachc.org
- Los Angeles City Attorney's Office Dispute Resolution Program (213) 406-0324
www.lacounty.gov/mediation
- Los Angeles County Bar Association Dispute Resolution Services
(478-7000 (829) 830-1041 (800) 822-1322 (602) 670-1019 www.lacba.org/disr
- Los Angeles County Department of Consumer Affairs (213) 674-0026
- Old Law School Center for Conflict Resolution (213) 736-1146 www.llo.edu/ccr
- City of Torrance Dispute Resolution Program (602) 929-6003
www.torrance.gov/mediation-services-2012

These entities do not offer legal advice or help you respond to a summons. They can assist in resolving your problem through mediation.

Dispute Resolution Programs Act
Consumer Administration Office (213) 734-2621

**INFORMATION ABOUT
ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX, and E-MAIL:	STATE BAR NUMBER:	<i>Reserved for Clerk's File Stamp</i>
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES		
COURTHOUSE ADDRESS:		
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER:		
DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT:		
STIPULATION TO PARTICIPATE IN ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR)		CASE NUMBER:

The undersigned parties in the above-titled action stipulate to participate in the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process checked below:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mediation
<input type="checkbox"/> Arbitration (non-binding)
<input type="checkbox"/> Arbitration (binding) | <input type="checkbox"/> Neutral Evaluation
<input type="checkbox"/> Settlement Conference
<input type="checkbox"/> Other ADR Process (describe): _____ |
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Dated	Name of Stipulating Party	Name of Party or Attorney Executing Stipulation	Signature of Party or Attorney
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